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Docket No. DDI-005

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Jerome F. McAleer et al. Confirmation No.: 1254
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Title : Disposable Test Strips With Integrated Reagent/Blood Separation Layer

Art Unit : 1753
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Dear Sir:

Extension of Time

Applicants hereby request an extension of time for One (1) month from the original due date of September 9, 2004 to extend the time for reply to October 9, 2004. The required fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(3) of \$110.00 is submitted herewith in an express request to charge said fees to Deposit Account No. 10-0750 (Docket DDI-0005/BES). (Form PTO/SB/17 Fee Transmittal is attached in duplicate). The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiencies, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 10-0750.

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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action of June 9, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.